

BEFORE THE ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION OF KENTUCKY

In the Matter of

THE APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY )  
UTILITIES COMPANY FOR AN ORDER )  
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF )  
SECURITIES )

CASE NO.  
7839

O R D E R

On April 10, 1980, Kentucky Utilities Company, the Applicant, filed with the Commission its petition seeking authority to issue and sell 1,500,000 shares of its Common Stock, par value \$10 per share, to a group of underwriters who will then offer the securities for sale to the public. The price per share to be paid to the Applicant by the underwriters will be an amount equal to the initial public offering price less an amount per share of not more than 7% of the initial public offering price. The initial public offering price, to be determined by agreement between the underwriters and Applicant, will not be higher than the reported last sale (regular way) or the reported last asked price of the Common Stock of Applicant on the New York Stock Exchange immediately prior to such determination, whichever is higher, plus the amount of the concession allowed to dealers. The net proceeds from the sale of the aforesaid 1,500,000 shares will be applied by the Applicant to the repayment of short term borrowings incurred to finance construction expenditures. Applicant estimates that \$77,000,000 of such borrowings will be outstanding at the date of issuance of the said shares of Common Stock.

The matter was set for public hearing at the Commission's office in Frankfort, Kentucky, on April 21, 1980, at which time there appeared no party of interest other than the Applicant.

The Commission, after reviewing the record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that the proposed issuance and sale by Kentucky Utilities Company of 1,500,000 shares of Common Stock, par

value \$10 per share, is for a lawful object within the corporate purposes of the utility, is necessary and appropriate for and consistent with the proper performance by the utility of its service to the public and will not impair its ability to perform that service, and is reasonably necessary and appropriate for such purpose.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that Kentucky Utilities Company be and it hereby is authorized to issue and sell 1,500,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$10 per share, such securities to be offered at a negotiated sale to underwriters after which the underwriters will offer the securities for sale to the public.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the proceeds from the sale of the securities authorized herein shall be used only for the lawful purposes as set out in the application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Kentucky Utilities Company shall, within a reasonable period of time after the sale of said Common Stock, file with the Commission any amendments to the Securities and Exchange Commission Registration Statement, a complete list of underwriters involved and a statement of all fees and expenses involved in the stock issue.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as a finding of value for any purpose nor as a warranty on the part of the Commonwealth of Kentucky or any agency thereof as to the securities authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of April, 1980.

By the Commission

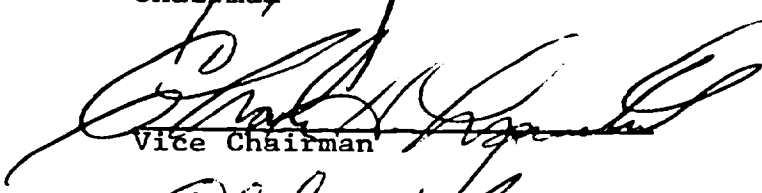
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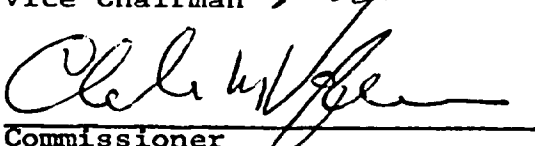
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Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of April, 1980.

ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
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